William Bladen Esq. one of the attorneys of the prov. Court of our Soveraigne Lady the
Queen present here in Court in his proper person otherwise called Wm. Bladen of
Amarundl County in the province afs. Esq. doth plea that he render unto him the just
full sume of Eleven thousand three hundred pounds of good sound Merchantable
tobacco wch. to him he owes & unjustly detaines &c. for that to wit whereas the afs. Wm.
the Sixteenth day of Feby. Anno Domi 1707 at Amarundell County by his certaine
writing obligatory sealed with his Seale and Dated the day and yeare afs. acknowledged
himself to be bound and firmly bound to the said Philemon in the afs. sume of Eleven
thousand three hundred pounds of good sound Merchantable tob. to be paid to the
said Philemon when thereto he should be required. Nevertheless the said Wm. altho' often
required the afs. sume of Eleven thousand three hundred pounds of tobacco or any
part thereof to the said Philemon hath not rendered but the same to hitherto under
hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said Philemon 20000 lbs. of tobo.
and therefore he brings his suit &c. & brings into Court the writing obligatory afs. in
debt afs. and manner afs. to justifie &c.

pleg. J. Doe and R. Roe

And the said Wm. Bladen in his own proper person comes & defends the force &
injury when &c. & prays leave to imparle thereunto until next Court and he hath
it &c. the same day is given to the plaintiff also &c.

At a Court held at Calvert County the 10th day of April Anno Domi 1710 Coram &c. against
the said Philemon Lloyd by his attorney afs. Solemnly called comes not but makes
default whereby the said defendant wholly undefended
Therefore it is considered by the Justices here the day & yeare last mentioned that
the said Philemon Lloyd recover against the said Wm. Bladen as well the sume of
Eleven thousand three hundred pounds of tob. his debt afs. as also the sume
of pounds of tob. by the Court here adjudged
unto him for his Costs & damages sustained by occasion of detaining the same debt
and the def. in Mercy &c.

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Mr. Mess.rs Micajah Perry
new Partners Comp.y
Nicholas Sponne

Maryland ss

Nicholas Sponne of Calvert County
in Order was attached to answer unto Mess.rs Micajah
Perry & new Partners Comp.y of a plea of trespass upon the case

And thereupon the Pl. Micajah Perry & Comp.y by Wm. Gayland their attorney
complaine that whereas the said Nicho. Sponne on the twenty third day of August 1708
at Calvert County according to the usage amongst Merchts. & others trading from
the province of Maryland to London in Great Britaine made and towards Delivered
foure bills of Exchange at a some tenor & date the day and yeare afs. w.th his own hand
subscribed and to a certaine Arden Carleton Merchtt. in London directed by the first of
wch. bills the said Nicho. required the said Carleton twenty days after sight of such bill
of Exchange his second third or fourth of the same tenor and date not paid pay to
certaine John Cuttam the sum of Eleven pounds two shill. & two pence and before sight
&c. for value received wch. bill afterwards at the County afs. and before sight
thereof by the said Arden Carleton the said John Cuttam by indorsement under his
proper hand subscribed according to the usage of Merc. & transferred the same to the
said Micajah Perry and Company and ordered the said Eleven pounds two shill. &
two pence therein mentioned before sight thereof had by the said Carleton
to be paid the said Micajah Perry and Comp.y whereof the said Arden Carleton
afterwards to wit the Eighth day of January Anno Domi 1708 at London afs. to wit in

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Calvert County afs. had notice and then and there was requested to pay the said
Eleven pounds two shill. & two pence to the said Perry and Comp.y and the said Perry &
Company in fact saith that the said Carleton after twenty days sight of the said bill and
notice as afs. hitherto hath not paid to the same Micajah Perry and Comp.y or either of them
the said Eleven pounds two shill. & two pence in the same bill mentioned and that for want
of payment of the same by the said Carleton the same Perry & Comp.y the third day & year
afs. in manner and at London afs. caused the said bill to be protested
the second third & fourth of the same tenor & date and according to the usage
whereof the said Nicho. Sponne at Calvert County afs. had notice the 29th day of March
1710. and the said Perry & Comp.y in fact say that for at Calvert County afs. paid the said
of the said Eleven pounds two shill. and two pence to the said Nicho. Sponne the twenty
third day of August 1708 by means whereof as well the said Nicho. Sponne as the said John
Cuttam in Order of them are liable to pay the said Eleven pounds two shill. and two pence
with the damage & interest of protest thereon accruing to the same Micajah Perry
Comp.y and the said Nicho. Sponne in consid.n thereof and other the premises at Calvert County
afs. the twenty ninth day of August 1710 assumed upon himself and to the same Micajah Perry
and Company then and there faithfully promised that he the said Nicholas should and
Eleven pounds two shill. and two pence and all the damages and interest thereon
ensuing by means of the said default unto the same Perry & Comp.y when thereunto
afs. he should be required would well & truly content & pay nevertheless the said Nicholas
his promise afs. assumed afs. not regarding but slighting and fraudulently intending
the same Perry & Comp.y in this behalfe fraudulently & subtilly to deceive and defraud the said
Eleven pounds two shill. & two pence with the damage & interests of protest thereon ensuing
to the same Micajah Perry and Comp.y hath not paid nor the same the said
Nicho. Sponne twenty fifth day of May 1710 at Calvert County afs. by the same
Micajah Perry & Co. (as afs.) required but the same to them hitherto hath denied
and still doth deny whereupon they say they are damnified and hath loss to the
value of two and twenty pounds &c. & therefore they bring their suit &c.

pleg. J. Doe & R. Roe

And the said Nicho. Sponne in custody of the Shrd. of Calvert County (to wit)
John Parker Gent. in his proper person comes and defends the force and injury
when &c. & prays leave to imparle thereunto until next Court and he hath it &c.
the same day is given to the plaintiff also &c.

At a Court held at Calvert County the tenth day of April Anno Domi 1711 Coram &c. against
the said Micajah Perry & Co. by their attorney afs. as the said Nicho. Sponne in Order
as afs. in his proper person as afs. and the said Micajah Perry and Comp.y by their
attorney afs. discharges the said Nicholas Sponne out of custody afs. and thereupon
the said Nicho. Sponne in his proper person as afs. as before defends the force and
injury when &c. & says that he cannot gainsay the plaintiffs their action afs. so afs.
against him brought nor can he say but that the said plaintiffs ought to recover their
damages by occasion of the premises afs. to the sume of thirteen pounds six shillings &
seven pence sterling cost of suit against him which said plaintiffs do not gainsay.
Therefore it is considered by the Justices here the day & yeare last mentioned that the
said Micajah Perry & Co. recover against the said Nicho. Sponne as well the sume of
thirteen pounds six shill. & seven pence sterling damages afs. in form afs. confessed
as also the sume of pounds of tobacco by the Court
here adjudged unto them of their cost for their costs & charges in this behalf said
out expended & the def. in Mercy &c. & Memd. the plaintiffs by their attorney
afs. prays the execn. of the above judgment for the space of thirty days.

Mr. John Hampton
George Youngson

Maryland ss

Be it remembered that were at a Court to wit in Calvert County
George Geo. Jones of Calvert County gentleman

(was)